Communication No. 2376

SINGLE & PAIR SKATING

ISU Recognized and Sponsored Single & Pair Skating Referees and Judges’ Seminars 2021

1. ISU Recognized Single & Pair Skating Judges’ Seminars 2021

Further to ISU Communication No. 2358 and after having received ISU Members’ applications, the ISU recognized the following Seminars for Referees and Judges:

- Frankfurt, GER May 7-9, 2021
- Xi’an, CHN June 11-13, 2021
- Gdansk, POL June 18-20, 2021
- Lima, PER September 3-5, 2021

Important notice: The above-mentioned schedule for these Seminars is subject to changes and/or cancellations depending on the evolution of the pandemic situation in the respective country.

Purpose

These ISU Seminars will include a Judge’s section and a Referee’s section:

- the Judge’s section forms an ISU Seminar for re-appointment of ISU/International Judges and first appointment of ISU Judges and therefore it serves the purposes of Seminar attendance requirements included in Rule 412, paragraphs 1.d) (i), 2.c), 3.d) (i), 4.c) and Rule 413, paragraphs 2.c), 3.d), 4.c) for Single & Pair Skating;

- the Referee’s section form an ISU Seminar for re-appointment of ISU/International Referees and therefore it serves the purposes of Seminar attendance requirements included in Rule 412, paragraphs 2.c), 4.c) f for Single & Pair Skating.

If a Seminar is organized in conjunction with an International Competition, the participants at the Seminar cannot also serve as Referees, Judges or Coaches at the competition. The organizing ISU Member must make the application to the ISU for recognition.

Moderators

Moderators designated by the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee will conduct these Seminars.
**Participants**

These ISU Seminars are primarily for the Referees and Judges of the Host ISU Member. However, Referees and Judges from other ISU Members (not more than 2 per ISU Member) can also attend subject to the availability of places.

ISU Members wishing to nominate Referees and Judges to participate in these ISU Seminars, or the ISU Referees/Judges themselves, may make an application to the ISU Secretariat, with copies to the Host ISU Member and the Chair of the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee, not later than six weeks prior to the scheduled date of the Seminar. The Host ISU Member must also send the names of those of its own Referees and Judges who will attend the Seminar for final approval to the ISU Secretariat with a copy to the Chair of the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee.

Please note that at all 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 ISU Figure Skating Championships (ISU European Figure Skating Championships, ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championship, ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships, ISU World Figure Skating Championships) and 2018 Olympic Winter Games, the Initial Judges Meetings for Single & Pair Skating were/will be conducted by a member of the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee. Therefore, each of those Initial Judges Meetings and the respective Round Table Discussion formed/will form together an ISU Seminar for re-appointment of ISU Judges, as per Rule 417, paragraph 5.

ISU Members are reminded that the above-mentioned Initial Judges Meeting and Round Table Discussions no longer count as ISU Seminars for re-appointment of ISU or International Referees (but Judges only). Therefore, such ISU or International Referees may still need to attend an ISU Seminar in order to fulfil the requirements for re-appointment of ISU or International Referees. However, Rule 417, paragraph 5, states that:

“To consider the activity as Referee of an ISU Championships or the Olympic Winter Games, as an ISU Seminar for re-appointment, the following is required:
- the Initial Judges Meeting conducted by the Referee together with the Chair or a member of the respective Technical Committee;
- the Round Table Discussion must be conducted by the Referee;
- the activity as a Referee for these Championships or the Olympic Winter Games is considered acceptable by the respective Technical Committee.”

In order to fulfill the requirements of having completed an ISU Seminar for re-appointment, Judges and Referees may also complete the related ISU webinar/e-learning exercise published on the ISU eLearning platform (details for Judges can be found in ISU Communication 2357 and Communication 2255 for Referees).

**Language**

These ISU Seminars will be conducted in English.

**Expenses**

The responsibility for the expenses of these ISU Seminars will be allocated as follows:

a) The administrative expenses (use of ice surface, classroom and all supporting equipment/facilities) will be borne by the Host ISU Member.
b) The travel and living expenses of the Moderators will be borne by the ISU.
c) The travel and living expenses of the participants will be borne by their respective ISU Members, or by the ISU Referees/Judges themselves in case of direct application (not through the ISU Members).
Applications deadline

The deadlines for sending the applications are:

- Frankfurt, GER: March 26, 2021
- Xi’an, CHN: April 30, 2021
- Gdansk, POL: May 7, 2021
- Lima, PER: July 23, 2021

Note:

a) These Seminars do not count for first appointment of International Judges or International or ISU Referees.

b) Referee Reappointment via Online Delivery

The reappointment of International and ISU Referees can now be undertaken via the online Referee Reappointment Learning Exercise available on the ISU eLearning platform. This option is in accordance with Rule 412 paragraph 2. c) and 4. c). In addition, Referees who are not in need of a reappointment seminar/webinar in this season may register for the online Exercise as a refresher in preparation for a competition, or for their own review and learning. Further information can be obtained on the ISU eLearning platform or by contacting the ISU eLearning Coordinator (elearning@isu.ch).

ISU Seminars and ISU Examinations for first appointment of International Judges (Rule 413, paragraphs 1.c) and 1.d)) will be held in Frankfurt, Germany, in July, 2021 for first appointment on the 2021/22 list of Officials. All the necessary information will be announced in due time in a subsequent ISU Communication.

ISU Examination for first appointment of ISU Judges (Rule 413, paragraphs 3.e)) will be held in Oberstdorf, Germany, in September, 2021 for first appointment on the 2021/22 list of Officials, and will be announced in due time in a subsequent ISU Communication.

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